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JOHNSTON LETTER.

Mrs. Lewis Entertained New Century Club Tuesday Afternoon. Lee and Jackson Day Observed..

On last Wednesday afternoon, "Lee and Jackson Day" was celebrated by the Mary Ann Buie chapter U. D. C.

Next to Lee, Jackson is considered the great chieftain of the South.

In all the Southern States the birth days of these great generals are observed and in some the day is a legal holiday.

The observance here was held in the home of Mrs. W. Lee Coleman, and the veterans of the town were invited to join in the celebration.

The home was decorated in flags and red and white flowers.

An attractive program was arranged, which was begun with patriotic music.

Miss Clara Sawyer told of the significance of the day and sketches on the life of Lee and Jackson were read by Mrs. J. H. White and Miss Zena Payne.

A poem, "Lee and Jackson's Birthday" was read by Mrs. J. P. Bean, and Miss Ella Fannie Mobley gave a reading on Confederate times.

The meeting was then thrown open and several of the veterans who had fought on the same field nearby these generals had many interesting things to tell.

While they were talking a repast of sandwiches, coffee, whipped cream and pound cake was handed and on each plate was a tiny bouquet of red and white immortelles. These were pinned on each veteran by Mrs. O. D. Black.

The veterans were given a treat by Mrs. Coleman, a large stand filled with fragrant cigars for them to enjoy. Each one greatly enjoyed the occasion.

"Lee and Jackson Day" was observed in the High School and the teachers impressed on the pupils the wonderful character of these two great men.

On Wednesday evening, instead of the regular prayer service, the members of the Royal Ambassadors had charge of the service, and a very interesting program was arranged by the leaders, Mrs. S. J. Watson and P. C. Stevens.

Mr. Samuel Watson, president of the R. A. conducted the meeting and each one of the young gentlemen did well. They sang their song, "The King's Business," in a manner that it did anyone good to hear.

Corn and Maxwell have a news stand in the front of their store which is proving very pleasant to readers. All of the periodicals, magazines and journals can be had fresh from the press.

Mr. Olin Eidson is improving his home and has had additions made to it, and the grounds also.

The family of Mr. Will Collins have all been sick during the past week and a trained nurse was secured to assist nursing them.

Those that know Miss Baker, daughter of Rev. C. E. Baker, of Ridge, will be glad to know that she has dedicated her life in service to her Master and will study to be a medical missionary.

Mr. Mark Toney spent the past week in Columbia, being a groomsman in Miss Boozer's wedding. There were several social functions had during the week.

Miss Fannie Ferrell has gone to Danville, Va., to spend a while having a vacation from the store of Mr. J. Neil Lott.

Mrs. McIntyre of Lancaster, is visiting Mrs. B. T. Boatwright. She is pleasantly remembered as Miss Alice Owen.

Miss Maude Sawyer entertained Saturday afternoon with a bridge party in compliment to Mrs. McIntyre. There were twelve present to participate in the game and at the conclusion the honoree was presented with a dainty prize. While enjoying music, the guests were served with a salad course, with coffee and whipped cream.

Mrs. A. P. Lewis was hostess for the New Century club on Tuesday afternoon and during business the chief point discussed was of the Thrift Campaign, this being one of the three paramount objects for

which the Federation has definitely committed itself. All of the members took cards and will co-operate in the plans.

It was decided to have Reciprocity in March and the Reciprocity committee will arrange for such.

The subject of the program was "The Jew in Art," and with a paper, discussions, question box and current events, a good program was had.

The hostess assisted by Miss Helen Lewis and Mrs. Archie Lewis served a dainty repast of salads, sandwiches, crackers, pickle and coffee.

The W. C. T. U. met last Friday with Mrs. A. P. Lewis, Mrs. T. R. Denney, president, conducting the meeting. There were several plans made for the work of the union and it was decided to order the manual "Christian citizenship," to be studied at the meetings. The year books were exhibited, each member to copy her own book.

Mrs. M. R. Wright conducted the program, the subject of which was "Child Welfare"—"Victory Day."

This being enlistment month, three new members were reported.

It was regretted that a down pour of rain prevented but a small attendance at this good meeting.

Mrs. B. T. Boatwright entertained on Friday afternoon at "Cedar Grove" in charming style in honor of her guest, Mrs. McIntyre. Those present were members of the Pi Tau Club.

After cordial greetings, pretty score cards were given and a game of rook was enjoyed. The honoree, and Mrs. J. R. Kelly who was also visiting in town, were presented with lovely feather fans.

A program of music was had and the hostess, assisted by Mrs. H. C. Strother, served a delicious repast.

Miss Helen Wright who is teaching at Saluda, spent the week-end at her home here.

Miss Ina Hill of Edgefield will make her home here after the first of February, having rooms in the home of Mrs. W. G. Templeton.

Mrs. Joe Cox is at home from a visit to her mother, Mrs. Yeomans at Fairfax. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Yeomans.

Mrs. J. B. Haltiwanger of Charleston and Mrs. Cobb of Greenwood, mother and sister of Mrs. W. F. Scott, are here for a visit.

Miss Annie Crouch went over to Columbia on Friday to attend the alumnae meeting of Converse College. There is a movement now for "Greater Converse" and during the fall a drive was on and a large amount subscribed.

Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Lott are at home from a visit to relatives in Florida and Georgia.

Mr. Alvin Hart is visiting his sister, Mrs. Brooks Sawyer.

Mrs. Claude Hedgepath of Greensboro, N. C., has been visiting her father, Mr. Jimmie Cates.

The Camp Fire Girls have reorganized with Miss Denny as guardian. The following are the officers: Miss Louise Boyd, president; Miss Sara Ready, vice-president; Miss Pearl Witt, secretary; Miss Ethel Lott, treasurer.

Mrs. William Rhoden and children are at home from a stay of several weeks with the former's parents at Covington, Ga.

Mrs. Heyward has returned to her home at Beaufort after a visit here.

Golden Anniversary at Ridge Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Watson will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary at Ridge Spring on Monday. To this occasion all the children and grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins will be invited. Mrs. Watson was Miss Julia King. Mrs. Ida Watson was married on the same day and she will be present to participate in the pleasures of the occasion. Besides the relatives, all who were present at the marriages of both of those are to be guests.

Mr. Thurmond Again District Attorney.

The Washington Correspondent of the Columbia State announces in Wednesday's issue that Mr. Thurmond has been nominated for another term as District Attorney for the Western District of South Carolina.

Miss Florence Mims Writes of Lexington, Mass.

Dear Advertiser:

On a crisp winter day a party of us set out to visit Lexington, Massachusetts famed in song and story. Before reaching the town itself we left the street car and went in to see the old Monroe Tavern, interesting for its age, association and contents. Just outside was a tremendous elm tree with a long iron spike in it, only the end of which could be seen. In the Revolutionary days that tree had been a hitching post and since, through all the years the tree has grown around the iron till now only the edges could be seen. That is but a bit of introduction to all the ancient relics that have been preserved within the town itself.

An especially interesting thing was a copy of the newspaper telling of the death of George Washington. On the third page in simple type were found these words: "It is with extreme pain I inform you that Lieut. Gen. George Washington is no more." In the same issue with this his farewell address was printed. It took eight days for the news to come by horseback from Alexandria, Va., to Boston.

This old tavern was built in sixteen hundred and ninety five, and in the famous battle on the eighteenth of April this became a hospital for the wounded British troops. The Monroe family who occupied this home were originally a part of the family of James Monroe, President of the United States.

The ceiling of the house was very low and the wide boards of the floor were put together with hand made nails. As we left the tavern and started to the town we heard an aeroplane buzzing overhead and I could not help thinking of how much more progress has been made since the American Revolution than had been made for at least several centuries before in the world. People and events had moved along just as they had been doing for long, long decades, and even up till the War between the States.

Such startling events and inventions have separated us from the Revolutionary days of the flintlock rifle and stage coach, that people are doubtless right in saying that this is the greatest age in the world's history.

Longfellow tells in his poem "Paul Revere's Ride," about the cry of defiance and alarm that spread through Lexington as he came at one o'clock in the morning. The old house where Samuel Adams and Rev. John Hancock were sleeping when Paul Revere gave his alarm is still preserved, a museum of relics. The poet describes it as:

"A voice in the darkness, a knock at the door,
And a word that shall echo forever more!
For borne on the mid-night wind
Of the past,
Through all the history, to the last,
In the hour of darkness and peril and need,
The people will waken and listen
To hear
The hurrying hoof-beats of that steed
And the mid-night ride of Paul Revere."

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Clemson Notes.

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The Edgefield County Club at Clemson this year consists of Fred L. Mays, J. Strom Thurmond, William S. Hollingsworth, Eugene D. Timmons, Lee C. Timmons, J. Robert Adams, John H. Spearman and J. Connor Bussey.

For the first term of 1919-20 there are 276 boys out of 808 on the honor roll. From Edgefield county there are three: Fred L. Mays, J. Strom Thurmond and Lee C. Timmons.

Cadet James R. Carpenter of Hartsville, S. C., died here early Wednesday morning. He was the son of Mr. W. A. Carpenter. Cadet Carpenter was 17 years old and was a member of the Freshman class.

LOST: Will the party who was seen to pick up \$5.00 Monday afternoon return the same to Miss Marie Abney.

The American Legion's Initial Smoker.

The Edgefield Post, American Legion, gave the first of a series of smokers at their temporary quarters in the Advertiser building Monday evening. J. O. Sheppard, commander, presided at the informal program, making a most interesting talk along the lines of the Legion's possibilities and plans. Other speakers included Rev. G. W. M. Taylor, who has been elected chaplain of the Post, a fitting honor to this over-sea chaplain of the A. E. F. and Messrs. A. A. Tompkins and S. McG. Simkins.

Paul Cogburn, Treasurer and Benjamin Greneker, Adjutant, completed the personnel of officers for the Edgefield Post.

There are about fifty active members and there will probably be an equal number of honorary members, as it has been ruled at headquarters that in this way men who were not in the service can become members of the local Posts.

Besides the Post here there are to be others at several points in the county, at Johnston, Trenton and Colliers.

This new organization bids fair to be a live factor in our town life. A plan to have suitable headquarters is well under way and this will be in the nature of a club.

It is hoped to have a big reading room, open all the time, where magazines and a library of books that were used in the camps, a request for which will be made to the proper national officials at once, with possibly furniture procured through the Red Cross, will make a comfortable rendezvous. A suite of rooms is desired to meet the demands for a real community centre—such as the Post desires to make.

The Chamber of Commerce is to use the same headquarters, which is a fine idea, identifying two splendid new factors of Edgefield's rejuvenescence.

According to the National plan, Edgefield's Post is planning a splendid public meeting for February 22, when all over our land the members of the American Legion, through their various Posts, will, on this day of the birth of the "Father of our Country" meet to commemorate those things which have made our land glorious.

This meeting will probably be in the Baptist Church. The program will be announced later, including the name of the prominent speaker, who is to be invited here for the occasion.

A beautiful feature of this program will be the presentation of certificates from the French Government to the families out of whose midst a boy in khaki went, never to return.

The smoker Monday evening was given a hospitable touch by a committee from the Civic League, who served appetizing ham and cheese sandwiches, with black coffee and whipped cream.

Edgefield welcomes the American Legion, representing, as it does, men who responded so nobly to their country's call, and hopes to see every plan of the local Post carried out to a triumphant success.

CURRAN HARTLEY FELTHAM.

Fourth-Class Postmaster Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Edgefield, S. C., on February 14, 1920 as a result of which it is expected to make certification to fill a contemplated vacancy in the position of fourth-class postmaster at Cleora, S. C. and other vacancies as they may occur in that office, unless it shall be decided in the interests of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement. The compensation of the postmaster at this office was \$186 for the last fiscal year.

Applicants must have reached their twenty-first birthday on the date of the examination, with the exception that in a State where women are declared by statute to be at full age for all purposes at eighteen years, women, eighteen years of age on the date of the examination will be admitted.

Applicants must reside within the territory supplied by the post office

for which the examination is announced.

The examination is open to all citizens of the United States who can comply with the requirements.

Application blanks, Form 1753, and full information concerning the requirements of the examination can be secured from the postmaster at the vacancy or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications should be properly executed and filed with the Commission at Washington, D. C., at the earliest practical date.

A Most Generous Gift.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Cobb has given the use of her home in Edgefield for use as a Methodist Parsonage for a period of four years. This is indeed a very generous donation to the cause of Methodism and the work of that great church. Mrs. Cobb and her late husband, who was a zealous worker in the Methodist church for many years, always had its welfare at heart and this is only another of the many good deeds that has been done to promote the interests of the Gospel of the Kingdom of God here at home. The gift means much. Upon acceptance of the gift, the official board decided to offer the old building now occupied by the pastor, for sale and to put the proceeds into a church building fund. Accordingly, the building will be sold at auction Thursday morning at 10:30 to the highest bidder. It will be torn down and the lot cleaned up and made ready for future developments. A committee has arranged to put side walks around the property which will be a great improvement. Thus the Methodists are in keeping with the spirit of progress that has swept this "old town" the past year. The own one of the finest pieces of property in the town. It is an ideal location for a church or any public building. It is prominent, high, central and being a corner lot, accessible. No better location can be had for a modern plant.

Poluhni Drives Auto Blindfolded.

At four o'clock, p. m., a committee will write a letter and hide the same. On their return Poluhni, blindfolded, will drive the auto over the same route, find the letter and read its contents out aloud while blindfolded.

Don't miss this wonderful test in psychology.

The performances of the Poluhni Company are enhanced by stage settings and special scenery which create the atmosphere of a wizard's studio. From the time the curtain rises to the close, there is not a moment lost. Poluhni's long experience in leading theatres has taught him the value of swift action, and every word and movement is that of a finished performer, unerring in his artistry and with a comprehensive knowledge of the niceties of stagecraft. His entertainment is refined enough to meet the requirements of the most cultured and yet entertaining enough to delight all classes. Embodied within the hour and a half of magic, illusions and incidental entertainment, is a brief program of musical novelties as surprising as it is delightful, giving a touch of variety to a big, bewildering, and altogether delightful review, embracing more new and original acts than have been seen in any platform presentation of magic given in recent years.

Be on hand for this entertainment in the School Auditorium, Friday evening, February 6th.

Quarterly Conference at Trenton.

Rev. R. E. Stackhouse, P. E., of the Columbia District will preach at Trenton Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and immediately after the service the first Quarterly Conference for the Edgefield Charge will be held. All the official members for the Trenton and Edgefield churches are members of this body and are expected to be present at this meeting.

Preaching Sunday evening at the Methodist church at 7:30 by Rev. G. W. M. Taylor, the pastor.

The Advertiser \$2.00 a year in advance.

An Inspiring Message to Members of Junior Order.

Sunday morning the members of the M. C. Council, Junior Order of the United American Mechanics, sat, with pleasure and profit, at the feet of Rev. G. W. M. Taylor, pastor of the Methodist church, he having been invited to preach their annual sermon. Mr. Taylor has for many years been a member of this fraternal Order, which is founded upon Patriotism, Virtue and Liberty.

After giving expression to words of welcome, Mr. Taylor announced as his text, Matt. 22:21, "Render therefore unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's." Mr. Taylor made an impressive contrast of the kingdom of Caesar and the kingdom of God, one being temporal and the other eternal. He stated that he could best demonstrate the all-embracing character of God's kingdom by drawing a large circle and then drawing in the big one small circles representing other kingdoms. Citizenship in the kingdom of God is large enough to embrace all other citizenships and all other governments, which are at best but material and temporal, while God's kingdom is spiritual and eternal. Caesar's government was the best government that the people then living had ever known. Some of our cardinal statutes have come down to this generation from the old Roman laws. But this kingdom stands out as being very human, being held together by force. Caesar's kingdom was limited and has passed out of existence, while God's is infinite and will go on and on. Caesar's was imperfect; our Lord's perfect. Imperfections caused the downfall of Caesar's government. All man-made governments are imperfect. The lust of gold and the lust of pleasure, said Mr. Taylor, will creep in, causing friction and disintegration. Caesar's kingdom was earthly, while our Lord's was heaven born.

Mr. Taylor said that if Caesar's kingdom is to be perpetuated in justice and purity, let him come to God. Christ lifted up His voice against sin and wickedness; like John the Baptist, He cried aloud and spared not. Some people say one has no right to mix religion and politics. Such people have no religion, said Mr. Taylor. Religion is intensely practical. Christ walked among men and held a high standard of living. In every human pain there was a counter pain in His breast.

In referring to the unprecedented prosperity which abounds in the land, Mr. Taylor said there never was before so many active agencies for good, which is but an outflowing of precious streams from the kingdom of God. In an effective climax, Mr. Taylor asked: "Where does the world look today for bread to feed the hungry and for the building up of the waste places of the earth but to the land where Jesus is honored?" Addressing his brethren of the Order, Mr. Taylor said: "We have a work to do as patriots and if we perpetuate liberty and justice, we must look to Him for strength."

Mr. Taylor said the American Sabbath is peculiarly identified with all that is sacred and holy and, after referring to the shameful manner in which the Sabbath is desecrated in Europe, he exclaimed: "God save America from an European Sabbath." The Sabbath is a day of rest and recreation and not a day for frolic and amusement. It is a day to be spent with our families in Christian homes and in attendance upon public worship in our churches.

If we would uphold and perpetuate our great Christian institutions, said Mr. Taylor, we must keep our eyes open and be ever watchful, teaching by example as well as precept. We must strive to uphold our country with a strong, Christian citizenship. All strength and all power will come from God, if we will render unto Him the things that are His.

The seed so earnestly sown by Mr. Taylor Sunday morning fell upon good ground and will bear fruit in the lives of members of the congregation. Numerous favorable expressions upon his very inspiring message were heard among the members of the Junior Order.